

### REMARKS

The examiner rejected claims 1-29 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over the combination of Tian et al. U.S. Patent No. 6,879,709 and Prokoski U.S. Patent No. 7,027,621.

The examiner objected to claims 30-32 as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but stated that claims 30-32 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims and overcome the objection of the claims.

Applicants have cancelled claims 1-26. Further, Applicants have amended claim 27 to include the limitations of claims 28-30. Claims 31 and 32 have been amended so as to depend from claim 27. Accordingly, the claims are in condition for allowance.

It is believed that all the rejections and/or objections raised by the examiner have been addressed.

In view of the foregoing, applicant respectfully submits that the application is in condition for allowance and such action is respectfully requested at the examiner's earliest convenience.

All of the dependent claims are patentable for at least the reasons for which the claims on which they depend are patentable.

Canceled claims, if any, have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer.

Any circumstance in which the applicant has (a) addressed certain comments of the examiner does not mean that the applicant concedes other comments of the examiner, (b) made arguments for the patentability of some claims does not mean that there are not other good reasons for patentability of those claims and other claims, or (c) amended or canceled a claim does not mean that the applicant concedes any of the examiner's positions with respect to that claim or other claims.

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